



FSIS Notice 76-07

Importation of Canadian Cattle, Bison, Sheep, and Goats into the United States



Purpose

- This notice updates Notice 14-07 about the receipt, slaughter, and inspection of cattle, bison, sheep, and goats imported from Canada



Changes

- Bovines born after March 1, 1999 arriving from Canada are eligible for slaughter;
- Feedlot activity refers to sheep and goats only and no longer involves bovine;
- Conduct another awareness meeting;
- FSIS will no longer hold pregnant bovines;



Changes

- Collection of fetal bovine serum from the fetuses of Canadian animals is no longer prohibited; and
- New place to send the VS Form 1-27, "Permit for Movement of Restricted Animals."



Background

- APHIS final regulation entitled, Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy; Minimal-Risk Regions; Importation of Live Bovines and Products Derived from Bovines



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- Only sheep and goats with a C brand or a CFIA ear tag will be held



Reassessment

- Est. may reassess, if warranted, based on changes in the new APHIS final rule
- Est. reassess if it starts slaughtering cattle from Canada. Cattle are a new source of raw materials



Immediate Slaughter

- Both bovine and sheep will be shipped for immediate slaughter
- Verification remains the same for both bovine, sheep, and goats



Shipped from Feedlot

- Under the new MOU with APHIS, inspection personnel will only verify the arrival of sheep and goats from the feedlots
- Verification remains the same for sheep and goats